

Municipal Electric Aggregation

Presented by:

City of Rockford

Illinois Power Agency Act (20 ILCS 3855/1-92)

“The corporate authorities of a municipality or county board of a county may adopt an ordinance under which it may aggregate in accordance with this Section residential and small commercial retail electrical loads located, respectively, within the municipality or the unincorporated areas of the county and, for that purpose, may solicit bids and enter into service agreements to facilitate for those loads the sale and purchase of electricity and related services and equipment.”

Approval Process

- Referendum approved by voters March 20
- Plan of operation and governance drafted by City staff and made available for public comment at 2 public hearings, the plan outlines the rules for participants and the supplier.
- City Council approved the Plan, bids were solicited, and a supplier was chosen based on price and their ability to meet specifications

Benefits of Program

- With the new provider, customers will receive a fixed price for electricity that is 45% less than the current ComEd rate.
- Com Ed will continue to be responsible for reading your meter, billing, and restoring power after an outage.

Opt-Out Letter

- Mailed home starting on July 16, based on eligibility as determined by ComEd
- Sent to residential customers not already with an alternate supplier or not on bundled hold and to commercial customers with annual usage less than 15,000 kWh
- Letter outlines the terms of the agreement individuals will be entering into with FirstEnergy, pricing, and how to opt-out or participate

Next Steps

- To participate in the program, no action is necessary. You will be enrolled unless you direct FirstEnergy otherwise.
- In order to opt-out of the program, you must complete the form at the bottom of the mailing and return to FirstEnergy by August 6.

If you are already signed up with an alternate supplier

- You will not automatically receive an opt-out letter and will not be automatically enrolled
- To remain with your current supplier, you need not take any action
- To switch to the City's supplier program, first check the terms and conditions of the agreement you signed to verify no early termination fees or other penalties
- If you decide to proceed, contact FirstEnergy directly to enroll by phone (1-866-636-3749).

Switching Steps

- FirstEnergy compiles opt-out selections
- Information is sent to ComEd to update their records for participating customers
- ComEd sends confirmation notices to customers making the switch
- Service changes with August consumption, billed in September
- Customers will continue to receive one bill from ComEd

Who Does What?

- Power Supply: **FirstEnergy Solutions**
- Meter Reading: **ComEd**
- Billing: **ComEd**
- Collections: **ComEd**
- Service: **ComEd**

Who to Call?

- Billing Questions (supply): **FirstEnergy Solutions**
- Billing Questions (delivery): **ComEd**
- Setup / Discontinue Service: **ComEd**
- Power Outages: **ComEd**
- Service: **ComEd**

Questions?